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En route Care: Advancing Trauma Care through Handoffs (E-CATCH)

and anticipate the need for life-saving medical interventions A prospective trial to improve handoff communication, patient safety,

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Background

documentation as it impacts overall care. level 1 trauma center (SAMMC) and evaluate care of patients transported by EMS to a single, military handoff communication. We strived to characterize the definitive evidence regarding the effectiveness of communication is often lacking. There is a need for EMS patient handoff communication; however, handoff Hospital care is influenced by pre-hospital care and

Objective

trauma center. interventions (LSI) within 24 hours of arrival to the elements are associated with the need for life-saving prehospital elements are communicated by EMS to Our aim was to determine which of the sixteen trauma staff, and to identify which, if any, of these



Methods

- Data was abstracted from the medical records of **SAMMC Emergency Department** patients transported by EMS and treated in the
- ٧ nursing report, call-in report, emergency room, and Data included the documentation provided by EMS Up to 2348 data entry fields for were collected for ou procedures done in the first 24 hours of care.
- This is an interim, descriptive analysis of an ongoing study. study database

Figure 1: Percent Documentation per MIST component

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Table 2: Percent Documentation per Prehospital Element

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Table 1: Demographics, Injury, and Reports Reviewed

Results

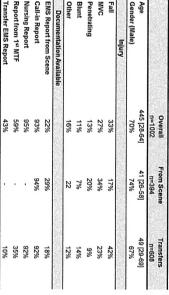
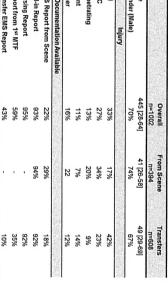


Figure 2: Procedures Performed within 24-hrs from Injury



■Overall □From Scene □Transfers

Transfusion

Blood

Thoracotomy Chest Tube

Procedure Surgical 1% 2% <1%

- Surgical procedures and blood transfusions were pre-hospital elements. associated with a decreased number of documented
- one LSI within 24 hours. location were associated (p<0.001) with having at least Respiratory rate, extrication time, and anatomical
- Mortality rate for patients brought from scene was 5% and <1% for patients transferred from another facility

Limitations

- Data was collected retrospectively
- Subjectivity despite trained abstractors
- Data missing or unavailable

Conclusions

care provided prior to arrival to the SAMMC ED. Three of an LSI performed within 24 hours of injury. the 16 prehospital elements were associated with having In this study, there was limited documentation reflective of

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